The legal name of this School District is Missoula County Public Schools, Elementary District No. 1, High School District No. 1, Missoula County, State of Montana. The District is an A class District and is operated according to the laws and regulations of Montana pertaining to elementary and high school districts.

In order to achieve its primary goal of providing each child with the necessary skills and attitudes, commensurate with his/her ability, to become effective citizens, the Board shall exercise the full authority granted to it by the laws of the state. Its legal powers, duties and responsibilities are derived from the Montana Constitution and state statutes and regulations. Sources such as the school laws of Montana, and the administrative rules of the Board of Public Education and the Office of Superintendent of Public Instruction delineate the legal powers, duties and responsibilities of the Board.

The Missoula County Public School Elementary District No. 1 budget maintains the elementary schools. The Missoula County Public School High School District No. 1 budget maintains the high schools.

Legal References:
20-6-101, MCA Definitions of elementary and high school districts
20-6-201, MCA Elementary district classification
20-6-301, MCA High school district classification
20-3-324, MCA Powers and duties

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